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SIR:

In conformance with Applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and § 1.97(b)(3), the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449 are hereby brought to the Examiner's attention.

Since all of the references were cited in the International Search Report issued by the US PTO in PCT/US00/16376, no copies of the references are required.

It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear in the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

Respectfully submitted,

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